



Proclamation

Presented to the

Lung Doo Benevolent Society

WHEREAS, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society was established in 1891 by immigrants from the Lung Doo district of Zhongshan county in Guangdong province; and

WHEREAS, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society's mission is "to help one another in times of need, foster better understanding and relationships within the community, and preserve the common cultural heritage;" and

WHEREAS, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society hosts annual festive celebrations including the New Year's Day installation of officers and directors, a Chinese New Year's celebration, the spring banquet, celebrations of the Moon festival and the Mid-Autumn festival, a Thanksgiving reception and a Christmas party; and

WHEREAS, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society has participated in important events through its history including the Lum Sai Ho Parade, The Third Worldwide Chungshan Convention, Sun Yat Sen Memorial Observances, Qingming Observances, Dragon Boat Races, Kuan Dai Dan and the Chinese Navy Visits to Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society believes in giving back to the communities--in the 1990's, a Scholarship Program was established to help financially needy students in the United States further their education by attending universities or community colleges; every year, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society donates between \$2,500-\$3,000 to the University of Hawai'i Richardson School of Law, to help Chinese law students with their education expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Lung Doo Benevolent Society will celebrate its 120th Anniversary on August 28, 2011 at the New Empress Restaurant in Honolulu;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim August 28, 2011 as

"LUNG DOO BENEVOLENT SOCIETY DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in commending the Lung Doo Benevolent Society for its 120 years of outstanding dedication and service to our local communities.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of July, 2011.


NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i